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In re Application of:

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For: POLYMERIC MATERIALS FOR

ELECTROLUMINESCENT

DEVICES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE B

In reply to the Office Action dated November 6, 2001, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 8 and 10, the subject matter of which is now incorporated in claim 1.

Please rewrite claims 1, 14 and 31 to read as follows:

A soluble, film-forming conjugated poly(1,4-arylene vinylene) compound comprising a 1,4-phenylene vinylene unit having adjacent substituents, said substituents being oriented such as to affect the electronic structure of the compound sufficiently to cause a blue-shift in the photoluminescence and/or electroluminescence of the compound.